

## Today's News - Friday, February 1, 2008

Zandberg pays tribute to the man behind Jerusalem's municipal master plan. – Icon-bashing kind of day: Prince Charles rants against the latest rash of carbuncles leaving cities with "pockmarked" skylines (architects disagree). – Glancey couldn't agree more: "aggressive 'icons' are the 4x4s of the architectural world." – Boddy chimes in with a call for less talk about "icons and more of architectural competitions, public debate, and design reputations that are earned." – London's massive Crossrail plans in need of a design champion. – Meanwhile, "an architectural icon" rises in the Philippines. – Explaining 10 myths of urban design. – Dublin's newest suburb: €1.2 billion Adamstown Centre. – Russell will surely ruffle some feathers re: visitors' center for Maya Lin's Vietnam Memorial: "intentions are honorable" but "inane." – It looks like Gap's Fisher just might get his museum in the Presidio. – From both sides of the Big Pond: AIA and RIBA both petition government to tackle climate change. – With Super Bowl Sunday upon us, it was hard to choose which sports story to run re: Eisenman cheering for his home team. – In India, a growing number of design awards is good, but not without shortcomings. – AIA Young Architects Award winners will find out, we suppose. – So can you: Call for entries: Financial Times and Urban Land Institute team up for Sustainable Cities Award; and AIA Committee on Design 2008 International Ideas Competition. – Atlanta's "City of the Future" competition winner dealt with drought and sprawl. – Weekend diversions: Merkel says Saarinen show at Cranbrook depicts "an architect way ahead of his time." – PLANetizen's pick of top 10 planning books. – Heathcote finds new book on the building of Wren's St. Paul's "narrated by a quantity surveyor."

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[Obituary: Avia Hashimshoni, 96: From drawing board to canvas: The pleasure is in doing," wrote Prof. Hashimshoni in his memoirs...\[his\] name was mainly associated with the Jerusalem municipal master plan of the 1960s. By Esther Zandberg- Ha`aretz \(Israel\)](#)

[Prince Charles does it again: skyscraper boom a rash of carbuncles, he tells architects: Towers risk vandalising heritage sites across the country...Leading architects rebutted the prince...claimed Britain was leading the world in skyscraper design. By Robert Booth – Richard Rogers: Raphael Viñoly; Kohn Pedersen Fox \(KPF\); Ian Simpson; Renzo Piano; Ken Shuttleworth; Sunand Prasad- Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[Bigger is not always better: It is marvellous that the Prince of Wales has decided to lay into the architectural carbuncle thingy again...aggressive "icons"...are the 4x4s of the architectural world. By Jonathan Glancey- Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[Why buy brand names when we can create our own? Some have called it "starchitecture." Now it goes by the smoother marketing handle of "iconic architecture"...let's talk less of icons and more of architectural competitions, public debate, and design reputations that are earned... By Trevor Boddy – Robert A. M. Stern; Norman Foster; Peter Busby; James Cheng; Peter Cardew; Patricia Patkau; Richard Henriquez; Noel Best/Stantec- Globe and Mail \(Canada\)](#)

[Who's watching over Crossrail's design? The £16bn project to join east and west London by high-speed rail link is to go ahead, but doubts remain as to its architectural quality...practices have been left wondering whether their designs will ever progress. – John McAslan; Marks Barfield; Wilkinson Eyre; Hawkins Brown; Ian Ritchie; Atkins; Arup; Aedas- BD/Building Design \(UK\)](#)

[Gramercy Residences to reshape Makati skyline: ...an architectural icon in the Philippines...Jerde Partnership...is to Gramercy as I.M. Pei is to Essensa in Bonifacio Global City... \[image\]- Philippine Daily Inquirer](#)

[Explaining 10 myths of urban design: Sean Galloway, London's new urban designer, eloquently outlined what he called the "10 myths of urban design."- The London Free Press \(Canada\)](#)

[New town centre for 21st century in west Dublin: An ambitious €1.2 billion town centre on 20 acres is planned for the heart of Adamstown, Dublin's newest suburb...In exchange for speedy planning approval, developers are required to deliver infrastructure and facilities in tandem with housing units. – DMOD; O'Mahony Pike \(OMP\); O'Donnell + Tuomey; Grafton Architects; Henry James Lyons; HKR; Metropolitan Workshop- Irish Times](#)

[Inane Visitor Center Will Wreck Maya Lin's Vietnam Memorial: ...it will diminish the evocative power of Maya Lin's great 1982 work – by trying to explain it...intentions are honorable if misplaced. By James S. Russell – Polshek Partnership; Ralph Appelbaum Associates- Bloomberg News](#)

[Gap's Fisher to Start Talks With Presidio Trust About S.F. Art Museum: ...\\$100 million Contemporary Art Museum in the Presidio, or CAMP...he would contribute \\$10 million to renovate the Presidio's main parade ground... – Gluckman Mayner Architects- Bloomberg News](#)

[AIA Urges Congress to Consider Green Stimulus Proposals: Provisions would help stimulate large sector of overall economy and promote more energy-efficient homes and buildings- American Institute of Architects \(AIA\)](#)

[Climate change demands: RIBA has written to Gordon Brown, calling for a binding agreement to tackle climate change...But the Association of Consultant Architects refused to sign.- BD/Building Design \(UK\)](#)

[Stadium sparkles in desert: No matter how the game turns out, Peter Eisenman will probably go home happy. His creation in the farmland west of Phoenix is expected to](#)

[be among the biggest stars of Super Bowl week. -- HOK Sport \(AP\)- The Olympian \(Washington\)](#)

[Design Awards: Honourable intentions: Awards for architecture and design...are a way to set benchmarks, encourage excellence and give a leg-up to innovators \[but\] they are not without shortcomings.- Livemint.com \(India\)](#)

[Ten Architects Selected to Receive the 2008 American Institute of Architects' Young Architects Award- American Institute of Architects \(AIA\)](#)

[Call for entries: Financial Times/Urban Land Institute \(FT/ULI\) Sustainable Cities Award: to recognize outstanding and innovative programs \(not projects\) that are exceptional examples of sustainable land use models of significant new ideas and perspectives for future practice; deadline: March 31- Financial Times Urban Land Institute \(FT/ULI\)](#)

[AIA Committee on Design \(COD\) 2008 International Ideas Competition: Branding the American House: design a single-family home for a prescribed typology of American family, paralleling the methodology used by automotive designers; deadline: March 10- American Institute of Architects \(AIA\)](#)

[Drought, sprawl, focus of architects' concepts for Atlanta...100 years from now...in "City of the Future" competition... -- Eric Bishop/EDAW- Columbus Ledger-Enquirer \(Georgia\)](#)

[Predicting the Future: A new exhibition at the Cranbrook Art Museum depicts Eero Saarinen as an architect way ahead of his time. By Jayne Merkel \[images\]- Metropolis Magazine](#)

[2008 Planetizen Top 10 Planning Books List- PLANetizen](#)

[Book review: Domed from the start: James W. P. Campbell's "Building St Paul's" ...This is architectural history narrated by a quantity surveyor...Wren's brilliance was to create a monument that looked \(and still does look\) good against a morass of mediocre building...If you seek Wren's monument, you won't find it here. By Edwin Heathcote- Financial Times \(UK\)](#)

[High Times in LoDo: As it approaches its 150th anniversary, Denver has become a "Great City" with substantial new housing downtown -- 4240 Architecture; David Adjaye; HOK Sport; ArchiDenver; Arup \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)



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